

Application No. 10/705,711
Response dated: August 24, 2006
Reply to Final Office Action dated: May 25, 2006

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the following remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-14 are pending in the present Application for consideration upon entry of the following remarks. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 9 and 11 have been amended and Claims 2, 7 and 10 have been cancelled, leaving Claims 1, 3-6, 8, 9 and 11-14 for consideration upon entry of the present amendment and following remarks.

Support for the claim amendments is at least found in the specification, the figures, and the claims as originally filed. More particularly, support for amended Claims 1, 4 and 9 is at least found in Figure 9 and page 9, line 11 to page 12, line 7 of the Specification and cancelled Claim 2, 7 and 10. Claims 3, 8 and 11 are amended to correct dependency based on cancelled claims.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has stated that Claims 2, 3, 5-8, 10, 11, 13 and 14 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's noting the allowable subject matter in Claims 2, 3, 5-8, 10, 11, 13 and 14. Claims 1, 4 and 9 are hereinabove amended to include the allowable subject matter of Claims 1, 7 and 10, respectively. Applicant notes that Claim 7 includes substantially the same limitations as Claims 2 and 10. Therefore, Applicants have not included Claim 5, from which Claim 7 depends in amended Claim 4. Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claims 1, 4, 9 are now allowable as amended as follows to include the allowable subject matter included in Claims 2, 7 and 10, respectively.

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Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by Applicant's admitted prior art (APA). The Examiner has stated that APA discloses all elements of the abovementioned claims primarily in Figures 1 and 2 and at pages 1-4 of the disclosure. Applicant respectfully traverses.

In this response, the allowable subject matter "wherein the movement value is calculated as being moved m pixels in the X direction and n pixels in the Y direction, the image data processor resets an area to which the reference area of the reference frame is moved -p pixels in the X direction and -q pixels in the Y direction as the new reference area" disclosed in Claims 2 and 7 are now included in Claims 1 and 4. Therefore, APA does not disclose all of the limitations of amended Claims 1 and 4. Accordingly, APA does not anticipate Claims 1 and 4.

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1 and 4 are not further objected or rejected and are thus allowable. Reconsideration, withdrawal of the relevant rejections and allowance of Claims 1 and 4 are thus respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103

The Examiner has rejected Claims 9 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over APA in view of Crane et al., U.S. Patent 6,664,948. Applicant respectfully traverses.

In this response, the allowable subject matter "wherein the movement value is calculated as being moved m pixels in the X direction and n pixels in the Y direction, the image data processor resets an area to which the reference area of the reference frame is moved -p pixels in the X direction and -q pixels in the Y direction as the new reference area" disclosed in Claim 10 is now included in Claim 9. Therefore, APA and Crane et al., either alone or in combination, do not disclose all of the limitations of amended Claim 9. Accordingly, *prime facie* obviousness does not exist regarding APA and Crane et al. with respect to Claim 9.

Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 9 is not further objected or rejected and are thus allowable. Claim 12 depends from Claim 9, inherits all of the limitations of amended

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Claim 9 and is correspondingly allowable. Reconsideration, withdrawal of the relevant rejections and allowance of Claims 9 and 12 are thus respectfully requested.

Conclusion

All of the objections and rejections are herein overcome. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application is in condition for allowance. No new matter is added by way of the present Amendments and Remarks, as support is found throughout the original filed specification, claims and drawings. Prompt issuance of Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

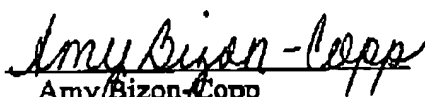
The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the below listed phone number regarding this response or otherwise concerning the present application.

Applicant hereby petitions for any necessary extension of time required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) or 1.136(b) which may be required for entry and consideration of the present Reply.

If there are any charges due with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130 maintained by Applicant's attorneys.

Respectfully submitted,

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